

# Public Notice: Request For Comments



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## Notice of Intent to Approve Plan for Closure of Hazardous Waste Units at the INL [Docket # 10HW-08-02]

**Notice Issued:** March 27, 2008

### What is the purpose of this notice?

An owner/operator proposing to close hazardous waste management units, subject to Idaho's Hazardous Waste Laws, must develop a plan for closure that meets specific requirements. Prior to approving such a plan, you (the public) and the applicant are given an opportunity to comment regarding the plan. The proposed plans provide procedures intended to close waste tanks, decontaminate or remove piping and the associated waste. The plans are hereby proposed for approval.

### Describe the units being closed:

The Rare Gas Plant North Gas Cell System in Building CPP 604 at the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center (INTEC) removed nitrous oxides and iodine from the off-gas of nuclear fuel reprocessing prior to the recovery of xenon and krypton. The off-gas hold tank is hazardous for the characteristic of corrosivity while the iodine absorption system contains liquids that exhibit the characteristic of silver toxicity. These units and associated piping are to be clean closed by decontamination.

### What closure conditions are

**affected?** The Partial (less than the entire INL) Closure Plan is open for review and comment.

### Where can I get more information?

In person: A copy of the draft Closure Plans may be reviewed at the Idaho DEQ State Office, located at 1410 North Hilton, in Boise, Idaho. The draft Closure Plan is also available for review at DEQ's Regional Office in Idaho Falls, located at 900 North Skyline, Suite B, in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Online: Copies of the proposed plan and fact sheet are available on-line via the DEQ Web Site

(<http://www.deq.idaho.gov/>).

By Phone: Call Ms. Jennifer Shafer at (208) 373-0502.

Persons wanting to be added or deleted from the facility mailing list should contact Ms. René Anderson at 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, Idaho, and/or at (208) 373-0210.

### When are written comments due?

5 p.m. April 28, 2008. Comments should be addressed to Robert Bullock, c/o Ms. Jennifer Shafer, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) at 1410 North Hilton, Boise, ID 83706.

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**Who will be responsible for implementing this plan?** The Department of Energy (DOE).

### Who is the issuing office?

Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ),  
1410 North Hilton  
Boise, Idaho 83706.

### What are DEQ's responsibilities?

The Idaho DEQ is the regulatory agency that helps protect and enhance Idaho's water and air quality, and helps ensure proper management and disposal of hazardous and solid wastes. One way DEQ does this is by requiring permits and plans for certain activities.

### What legal requirements

**apply?** Idaho's rules require that DEQ provide an owner or operator and the public, through a newspaper notice, the opportunity to submit written comments on a draft plan for closure.

**What happens next?** DEQ will consider any comments and/or requests for hearing and either announce a time and place for a hearing, modify the proposed plan, or approve the plan as proposed.